She was a lumpy woman with a mess of bleached hair that showed gray-brown at the roots. Her baby blue evening wrap was twenty years too young for her, and in her puffy ears blazed blg diamonds that looked too good to be true.

Her companion was less assertive in black silk with her theater scarf low enough to show a yoke lof black medallions on net that from the rear of the car had the effect of lace roaches crawling up her back. She also flashed solltaires, and the black velvet band that fairly choked in its effort to recall a long-lost chin line was fastened with a sumburst that doubless once had its day in print as "the gift of the groom."

bought a pannymar! Well, what's going to happen next."

"Who? Him? My husbn? Not much, he hasn't. Where do you spose Jim's going to get the money for pannymar hats, with all the chilren we got an 'me with a doctor half the time for lung trouble? I'd like to see him try it once! Oh, that's a man, every time; fuss like all get out, over the money a woman spends on a hat, and then turns around and spends \$25 for a pannymar—untrimmed. Don't tell me about 'em. I know 'em from A to izzard."

And a mere spinster woman, who had been observing panamas with a nephew in mind, wondered how long a lady with lung trouble could keep up a solo like that and how long Mag would stand for it.

At the movies: long-lost chin line was fastened with a sunburst that doubless once had its day in print as "the gift of the groom." As the car whizzed eastward in what would have been midnight blackness, ex-



cept for electric lights along the way, the blue wrap and black lace roaches gig-gled and gabbed, and, oh, the foolish things, smirked at a prosperous looking man across the aisle, who paid no atten-tion whatever.

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And at every turn of lumpy ears and harnessed neck the solitaire and clusters blazed out like searchlights and the sunburst was an aurora borealis of every color under the sun.

Back of the two, across the car, slouched another man, shabby and unshaved, with a pallid gauntness of checkbones, that probably—no, surely—came from want of ineat and vegetables in plenty, and with a furtive intentness in his eyes that would undervalue his attractions as a companion on a lonely road—poor fellow! And he watched the women, and, of course, must have taken in their pyrotechnic show.

When the car had spun around the

building.
On the other side of the library two dear, reliant and most eminently proper spinsters: one with a head opera bag and the other with a theater program, got off—without having been noticed by anybody, as is the fate of spinsters.

sters.
The car spun on toward the sparsely settled section of the far southeast.
And the only passengers aboard were the women of the diamonds—and the

As the robbery failed to show up it As the robbery failed to show up in the morning papers the man couldn't have been as down-and-out as he look-ed. Maybe he was a judge of diamonde. Maybe, again, life was so duli for him that the two old girls took on the value of a free show. And, naturally, it might be that he was an honest man. As one spinster said to the other in her relief at not having to go on the vitrelief at not having to go on the wit-ness stand and tell her age:
"Only fate knows the real why that man didn't swipe those diamonds—and fate is dumb."

Unconventional people are always in-teresting, if only for their splendid un-concern for the opinions of the rank One woman, as a case in point, walk-ed along 14th street, turned a corner



As though it were a poodle.

nd went down H street, the other afternoon.

Just to look at her, she was as like as peas to any other nice woman in a black skirt, white walst and nonde-script straw. Her coat was over one arm and the other hugged about six

A woman-cord-bag class-halted be-



woman with her was loitering ahead.
"Come here, Mag, and look at this— Panama hats from \$5 to \$25"—what do you think of that?"

of one who knew what was coming.

"Ain't that the limit! And Jim worryin' the life outer me because I paid \$3.49 for this hat that'll last me two years, made over. Guess he thought I wouldnter caught on to the price of pannymars. Ain't it like a man, all over?

"You don't tell me the certainty for a feed, miss, when a big shell blew up the grub wagon.

Sympathetic young woman—You poor fellows: So you fought all day without rations.

Soldier—Not exactly, miss. Other shells from the enemly supplied us with per-

At the movies:
"Madam, will you kindly take off your hat?"
"It can't possibly be in the way—it's only a widow's bonnet.
"But I can't see through the veil."
"Well, if you had my headache you wouldn't want to see.
The woman behind had obviously lacked the training of a ladies' military camp, for she collapsed rather than fight the situation.
And the widow woman who had a headache and for that reason presumably didn't want to see, kept her veildraped bonnet on from start to finish.
But there is always a compensation of some sort. When she had seen the show she got up and went out.
And sister meekuess sat back in comfort and saw it all over.

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> TODAY'S HOUSEHOLD AFFAIRS.

BY MARY LEE.

To be "afraid of the dark" is one of the real tragedies of childhood. To be black abyss full of vague terrors, to be left alone in bed with the friendly light turned out, is torture for the sensitive child.

Argument and punishment alike seem futile, and often the parents lose pa tience with the child, and, particularly f it is a boy, add ridicule and taunts of cowardice to the misery of his fears The pity of it is that the grown-ups have themselves to blame for the con dition, for the child is necessarily ignorant of fear until the idea of asso ciating dark with danger is suggested to him in some way.

Here is the story of a wise little mother and how she cured a very bad case of terroritis. Let her tell it in her own words:

At some time or other Billie must The thing that set her apart, and have heard the servants or the other certaps above her conventional sister children discussing ghosts and gobhave heard the servants or the other The thing that set her apart, and perhaps above her conventional sister was the packing box she had in tow. It was a tall, narrow pine box labeled "glass," and she dragged it after her as nonchalantly as though it were a poodle at the end of a string. The box made a rasping noise, but the woman didn't mind. She just kept dragging it along. And she didn't in the least seem aware of doing a most unusual thing. Or that she might be scratching the pavement. Any ordinary woman would have paid that be somebody a quarter to pusheart that box and the six magazines. Ability to tote and haul would have had nothing to do with it. The one absolute fact to be considered was "how it would look—" Am I right, Mabel, dear?" Well, she wasn't that sort of woman, at all. She knew she could get that box to wherever she wanted to get it, and that her arms were equal to the magazines. It suited her to do it. And that was all there was to it. She didn't belong to the spineless rank and file.

A woman—cord-bag class—halted be-

cach selected five toys, then we went into his bedroom and with the gas turned very low hid the toys. The light was then turned entirely out and each of us went into the room alone, closed the door and hunted for the hidden toys. At first Billy wanted the door left open "just a tiny bit" and to be sure that I was outside in the hall; but soon the play spirit took possession of his wind at he fewer took page.

but soon the play spirit took posses-sion of his mind and he forgot to be After that he would go to sleep won-After that he would go to sleep wondering where he could hide the toys
the next night so that I could not find
them, and the dark room became a
place of fascinating possibilities instead of a chamber of horrors.

Now Billie is notorious for his fearlessness, and though he has probably
forgotten that such a game as "blind
seek" ever existed, the lesson it taught
has become a part of him.

Motives.

rom the Passing Show British Foreman Compositor - Three more of my men have enlisted this morning.

Editor-Ah! A wave of patriotism, I Foreman Compositor-Well! Perhaps that's the way to put it, but they say they would rather be shot than set any more of your copy!

No Lack of Rations.

From the Boston Transcript, Returned soldier (relating experiences) -We were just making up our mouth

er?"
"You don't tell me Jim's gone and forations and lacerations in abur

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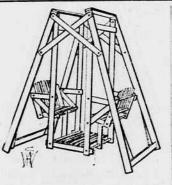


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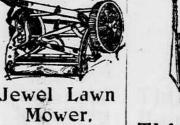
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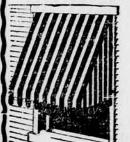
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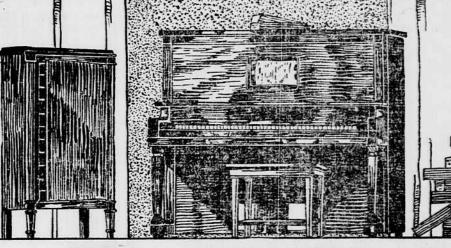
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